Seminar: Australia’s Next Defence White Paper: What to Expect?

Date: 18 July 2012
Time: 5.00 - 6.30pm
Venue: Council Chamber Building 100
Curtin University

Abstract:
This special panel of distinguished experts will discuss the forthcoming Australia Defence White Paper and its implications for Western Australia and the nation’s engagement with the Indian Ocean region.

Special Appearance: H.E. Mr David Daly, Ambassador and Head of Delegation, Delegation of the European Union to Australia and to New Zealand

Ambassador Daly has worked in the external relations side of the EU service for almost 20 years and had previously served in the Irish Diplomatic Service. Posted to Canberra in January 2009, Ambassador Daly had previously been the Acting Director in the European Commission responsible for the accession negotiations of Croatia and Turkey to the European Union and for relations between the EU and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. He had been responsible for relations with many countries of the Western Balkans since 2000.

Ambassador Daly has a Masters Degree in Economic Science (European Studies) from Dublin University, Trinity College, Dublin (1987); an Honours degree as Bachelor of Public Administration from University College Dublin (1984), and Graduate Membership of the Institute of Personnel Management, London (1984). He recently followed an Executive Management course in Leadership at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge.

Panelists: Mr James Brown, Military Fellow, Lowy Institute for International Policy, Sydney

James Brown served as an officer in the Australian Army prior to joining the Lowy Institute. He commanded a cavalry troop in Southern Iraq, served on the Australian task force headquarters in Baghdad, and was attached to Special Forces in Afghanistan. He was awarded a commendation for work in the Solomon Islands and as an operational planner at the Australian Defence Force Headquarters Joint Operations Command. James also instructed at the Army’s Combat Arms Training Centre.

James is the Military Fellow at the Lowy Institute and his research focuses on military issues and defence policy. He coordinates the MacArthur Foundation Asia Security Project, which aims to explore security cooperation in Asia and promote measures to prevent Asia’s growing strategic rivalries from deepening into war. James also coordinates a project investigating the use of private military security companies in disaster and conflict zones.
James studied economics at the University of Sydney and completed graduate studies in strategy at the University of New South Wales.

**Capt Justin Jones, Director Sea Power Centre-Australia, Royal Australian Navy**

Captain Justin Jones, RAN is the Director of the Sea Power Centre — Australia, and Naval Associate at the Lowy Institute. A serving naval officer for 24 years, Justin has had diverse experiences ranging across maritime counter terrorism, peace monitoring, operations in the Middle East, and extensive engagement with navies throughout Indo-Pacific Asia. He was the Commanding Officer of the guided missile frigate HMAS Newcastle in 2009-10, prior to a short period as Navy Fellow at the Lowy Institute in 2010.

Justin holds a Master of Management Studies, a Master of Arts (Strategy and Policy) and a Graduate Diploma in Defence Studies. He is a PhD candidate at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security at the University of Wollongong. His thesis will examine Australian defence policy and maritime strategy in the Indian Ocean from the turn of the century. His work with the Lowy Institute includes the role of maritime advisor to the MacArthur Foundation Asia Security Project. He was a contributor to the major Lowy Institute MacArthur Foundation paper Crisis and Confidence: Major Powers and Maritime Security in Indo-Pacific Asia (2011).

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